Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A raised Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA) Printed Circuit Board (PCB) connector for mounting to a printed circuit board, the raised SATA PCB connector configured for connection with a SATA cable connector and configured for mounting onto a first side of a PCB in opposing relation with another raised SATA PCB connector similarly mounted onto a second side of the PCB and also configured for connection with a SATA cable connector, the raised SATA PCB connector comprising:

a blade connector for supporting an electrical contact arrangement compatible with a SATA standard; and

a raised mounting portion for mounting to a first side of a PCB, the raised mounting portion extending from the PCB;

wherein the blade connector is integrally formed with the raised mounting portion and projects from the raised mounting portion, the blade connector projecting from the raised mounting portion at a sufficient height from the PCB to allow the blade connector to suitably connect with a SATA cable connector and to allow another SATA cable connector to be suitably connected to another connector mounted in opposing relation to the second side of the PCB.

2. (Original) The raised SATA PCB connector of claim 1, wherein the electrical contact arrangement of the blade connector is configured for data signals in accordance with a SATA standard.

3. (Original) The raised SATA PCB connector of claim 1, further comprising a SATA cable connector receiving area formed around the blade connector for receipt of the SATA cable connector.

4-15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) A multi-port Printed Circuit Board Assembly (PCBA) comprising:

a Printed Circuit Board (PCB) for mounting within a host computer; and

a pair of first and second raised Serial Advanced Technology Attachment (SATA) Printed Circuit Board (PCB) connectors for mounting to the PCB, the first raised SATA PCB connector configured for connection with a first SATA cable connector and mounted onto a first side of the PCB, the second raised SATA PCB connector mounted onto a second side of the PCB in opposing relation to the first raised SATA PCB connector and configured for connection with a second SATA cable connector, each of the first and second raised SATA PCB connectors including:

a blade connector for supporting an electrical contact arrangement compatible with a SATA standard; and

a raised mounting portion for mounting to a side of a PCB, the raised mounting portion extending from the PCB;

wherein each blade connector of each of the first and second raised SATA PCB connectors is integrally formed with the raised mounting portion of each of the first and second raised SATA PCB connectors, respectively, and projects from the raised mounting portion; and

wherein each blade connector projects from each raised mounting portion of each of the first and second raised SATA PCB connectors, respectively, at a sufficient height from the PCB to allow each blade connector to connect with a respective SATA cable connector such that the first SATA cable connector is connectable to the first raised SATA PCB connector and the second SATA cable connector is connectable to the second raised SATA PCB connector.

17. (Original) The multi-port PCBA of claim 16, wherein each electrical contact arrangement of each blade connector is configured for data signals in accordance with a SATA standard.

18. (Original) The multi-port PCBA of claim 16, wherein each of the first and second raised SATA PCB connectors each includes a SATA cable connector receiving area formed around the blade connector for receipt of a SATA cable connector.

19-30. (Canceled)